UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOREST SERVICE DIXIE NATIONAL FOREST

STAGE I FIRE RESTRICTIONS

PROHIBITIONS:

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. § 551 and 36 CFR § 261.50(a), the following acts are prohibited on all National Forest System (NFS) lands within the Dixie National Forest:

- Igniting, building, maintaining, or using a fire (including charcoal and briquettes) outside of a
 fire structure provided by the Forest Service within a designated area.
 [36 CFR § 261.52(a)]
- 2. Smoking, except within an enclosed vehicle or building, a developed recreation site, or an area at least three feet in diameter that is barren or cleared of any flammable material. [36 CFR § 261.52(d)]

EXEMPTIONS:

Pursuant to 36 CFR § 261.50(e), the following persons are exempt from this Order:

- 1. Persons with a special use authorization or other Forest Service authorization specifically exempting them from the effect of this Order.
- 2. Persons using a stove or grill fueled solely by liquid petroleum fuels.
- 3. Persons using a stove fire in a designated area.
- 4. Any Federal, State, or local law enforcement officer or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.

PURPOSE:

To reduce the risk of human-caused wildfires due to high fire danger and increased levels of recreational use.

AREA DESCRIBED:

These prohibitions apply to all NFS lands within the proclaimed and administrative boundaries of the Pine Valley, Cedar City, Powell, and Escalante Ranger Districts of the Dixie National Forest, within the counties of Iron, Garfield, Kane, Piute, and Washington, State of Utah.

IMPLEMENTATION:

- 1. This Order will be in effect beginning May 26, 2021 at 00:01 AM and shall remain in effect until January 1, 2022 or until revoked, whichever is sooner.
- 2. Exhibit A, "Definitions," is attached and incorporated into this order.
- 3. A violation of these prohibitions is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000 for an individual or \$10,000 for an organization, imprisonment for not more than six months, or both. [16 USC § 551, 18 USC §§ 3559, 3571, 18 USC § 3581].
- 4. Further information regarding this Order may be obtained at the Dixie National Forest Supervisor's Office, Cedar City, Utah, 435-865-3700.
- 5. This Order supersedes any previous Order(s) prohibiting the same, or similar acts prohibited by this Order in the areas covered by this Order.

Done at Cedar City, Utah this 24th day of May 2021.

Kevin Wright
Kevin Wright (May 24, 2021 16:06 MDT)

KEVIN WRIGHT Forest Supervisor

Order Number 0407-21-21

EXHIBIT A

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DEFINITIONS:

<u>DESIGNATED AREA:</u> Developed recreation sites such as (campgrounds and picnic areas) that are maintained and administered by the Forest Service, shown on the current Forest visitor maps, and are equipped with a permanent fire structure.

FIRE STRUCTURE: A permanent metal or concrete structure, which is specifically designed for the purpose of containing a campfire or cooking fire that has been installed and maintained by the Forest Service.

STOVE FIRE: A fire built inside a fully enclosed metal stove, grill, or sheep herder type stove, which is outfitted with a chimney that is at least five (5) feet in length and is equipped with a spark arrestor consisting of a mesh screen with a screen opening of ½ inch or less.

For further definitions or clarification of definitions, refer to [36 CFR § 261.2].